

## FIRST BATTLE OF MONGOL CIVIL WAR

**Southern Troops, Fighting for Republic, Clash With Northern Supporters of Manchus.**

San Francisco, July 4.—China is in the throes of civil war and a battle is being fought today between troops of the southern provinces fighting for the preservation of the republic, and the northern forces for the young emperor, according to cable advice received here today and made public by the Chinese Nationalist league. The first clash between the troops was announced as having occurred yesterday by officials of the league, who claim the sources of its information is unquestionable.

The advice today state that President Li Yuan Hung is safe in Peking. Vice President Fung Kuek Jung is directing troop movements in Peking.

President Li Escapes From Palace. London, July 4.—The escape of President Li Yuan Hung of China from the palace at Peking on Monday evening is reported in an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Tien Tsin. The president is said to have gone to the legation of one of the entente nations.

A later dispatch from Tien Tsin says President Li Yuan Hung escaped from the palace by a rear door and went to the Japanese legation. He asked the protection of the Japanese minister, which was accorded immediately, in conformity with international usage.

Cable advice tonight from China to "Young China" San Francisco republican newspaper, tonight denied the rumored assassination of President Li Yuan Hung. The cablegram said there was widespread opposition throughout China to the restoration of the Manchurian dynasty. Police and troops of Chekiang army and navy forces at Shanghai, various parties and fourteen Peking newspapers were said to have expressed such opposition.

President Li Yuan Hung telegraphed southwestern provinces to rise and rebel against the restoration but these telegrams were held up by the monarchists, according to the cablegram. According to recent press dispatches President Li Yuan Hung was made a prisoner in the palace at the time of General Chang Hsun's coup in the effort to restore the Manchurian dynasty.

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after the Americans and trying to break through a cordon of police troops. Outside a greater crowd that covered the entire esplanade of the river, to see the Chinese as President's men marched away.

London, July 4.—By order of the king, the Stars and Stripes was flying from the Victoria tower of the House of Parliament today and also on all other government buildings, beside the union jack. Private buildings were bedecked with American flags as never before. Thousands of persons in the streets wore small flags and wagons and automobiles were decorated with the American emblem. Premier Lloyd George was interested actively in arrangements for celebration for the Fourth. The Welsh guards band played American airs while the guard at St. James palace, as did the orchestras in all the theaters.

**America Society Dinner.** Ambassador Page and Mrs. Page held an informal reception this afternoon. The American society will give a banquet tonight with Foreign Secretary Balfour as the guest of honor. Other guests will be Lord Robert Cecil, Vice Admiral Sims, U. S. N.; Admiral Jellicoe, chief of the naval staff; General Sir William Robertson, chief of the imperial staff at army headquarters and the staff which accompanied Mr. Balfour to the United States. Francis Powell, chairman of the society, will preside and toast will be given to King George and President Wilson.

Other American societies are celebrating the day. American war veterans living here are celebrating the day. Gordon Selfridge spoke at a patriotic concert under the auspices of the British and Foreign Sailors society. The Marquis of Lincolnshire made an address at the National Liberal club. The Selbourne society's celebration extends from July 4 to 10.

**Flag Over Naval Station.** Base of the American Flotilla in British Waters, July 4.—In honor of Independence day, the British here flew Old Glory beside the Union Jack over their naval station, while their commander-in-chief sent on behalf of himself, his officers and men an inspiring message of greeting and good will to the American officers and blue jackets.

There was also an exchange of calls between the British and American officers.

A number of floral designs emblematic of the Americans colors were also sent to the American officers.

In the evening several hundred American blue jackets enjoyed a personally conducted vocal and instrumental program in their new club house ashore.

**Goodnow Is Elected President of Milwaukee**

Chicago, Ill., July 4.—Charles A. Goodnow, assistant to the president of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad, today was elected vice president of the road. He began his railroad experience as telegraph operator at the age of 15. Electrification of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul lines in the northwest was done largely under his direction.

**Will Teach U. S. History To French Children**

Paris, July 4.—A brochure on the subject of the United States, their strength, role in history and intervention in the war, has just been distributed to all schools by M. Steeg, minister of public instruction, with the object of making the American republic better known to the youth of France.

**MAJOR-GENERAL JOHN J. PERSHING**—Commander of the American expeditionary force, arriving at a French port, whence he proceeded to Paris to establish American headquarters in France.



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**Officials Discredit Theory Of Spy Work in U-Boat Attack**

Washington, July 4.—The unsuccessful submarine attack on the ships of the American expeditionary force has revived spy rumors in the capital and will result if possible in even more stringent measures to cloak the movements of military forces from the enemy.

Officials taking the view that there is no ground for a spy scare, suggested that inevitably it was a matter of public information that the crossing of the expedition would follow soon after General Pershing announced arrival in France. It is therefore would not be unusual, these officials argued, if the German U-boats were given general orders to cruise in squadrons across various ocean lines in the hope that one of the squadrons would intercept the Americans.

**QUENCHES THE THIRST**  
Horsford's Acid Phosphate  
A teaspoonful in a glass of water is very refreshing to the mouth and throat. Buy a bottle.—Advertisement.

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the thousands who remained in the park during the evening.

In the other parks in and around the city crowds gathered, but as a rule they were neighborhood affairs and family and private picnic parties. The automobile races at the Speedway drew large crowds and those who went felt well repaid. They saw the speed demons and were amazed at the miles were reeled off.

Two games of professional ball were played, one in the morning and the other in the afternoon. The amateurs held forth on all the available diamonds and everywhere were large crowds.

**Golf Links Filled.**  
From morning until dark the golf links were filled and numerous good scores were turned in.

At the lake resorts there were the usual attractions and at all of the places large crowds were in attendance.

**Celebration at Ralston.**  
Ralston held a celebration of its own and it was attended by 1,000 or more people of the suburb and the countryside. J. O. Lamb presided and Frank S. Howell, Omaha, was the orator of the day. Other speeches were by Judge J. W. Woodrough and C. O. Brage, the latter the mayor of Ralston.

**Conservation League Picnic.**  
The Women Voters' Conservation league and friends celebrated in Hanscom park, where there was music, patriotic addresses and luncheon. Mrs. Mary E. Hall presided. The addresses were by Mayor Dahlman, Harry Fleharty and Frank Odell. One hundred and fifty attended the basket picnic. Members of the league served hot coffee.

**Britain Does Not Fear Idealism of America**

Paris, July 4.—The Matin publishes an interview obtained by Hughes Le Roux with Premier Lloyd George, who contradicted emphatically a suggestion that Great Britain was only half pleased with America's entrance into the war.

The French writer said there were persons in this country who permitted themselves to be persuaded, no doubt by German propaganda, that England feared the idealism and passion for justice of America as it would be felt when the time came to discuss terms of peace. The premier shrugged his shoulders, M. Le Roux writes and said:

"We not only desired the entrance of the United States into the war, but we solicited it. At the present moment we ask that America shall send us fighters in the greatest number possible and as soon as it can be done. We wish its valiant soldiers, who have just landed in France, inspired with such a fine spirit, to mingle their blood with yours and ours for the triumph of the common cause. Is that clear?"

**Belgian Woman Sentenced To Be Shot by Germans**

London, July 4.—A German court-martial sentenced to death Mlle Grandpre and her brother, both of Stavelot, Liege province, Belgium, and caused them to be shot within twenty-four hours, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Amsterdam today. The accused were tried at Liege on the charge of espionage.

**South Atlantic League Closes.**  
Columbia, S. C., July 4.—The South Atlantic league will close its season Saturday. It was announced tonight. All but two of the six clubs that made up the league at the start of the season dropped out because of non-support.

## American Troops Delighted With Their Reception at French Capital

Paris, Tuesday, July 3.—6:00 p. m.—(Delayed.)—When American troops arrived at their barracks they were greatly pleased by their assignment to quarters in a five story building, mainly constructed of stone, which they will occupy exclusively. The French government had supplied individual beds with mattresses and a supply of bed linen. The sleeping quarters take the three upper stories and are light and well ventilated. On the ground floor are shower baths and wash-rooms.

After arms were stacked and supplies properly stored, the French soldiers served an excellent luncheon at noon. The menu consisted of roast beef and cold bologna sausage, baked potatoes, cucumber and lettuce salad, cream cheese, bread and butter, coffee and chocolate and oranges for desert. The French will supply all rations used in the barracks.

During the afternoon the army Young Men's Christian association took the soldiers on a sight-seeing tour through Paris using motor trucks as conveyances. Leaves will

not be allowed the soldiers until after the close of the Fourth of July celebration in which they will participate.

The soldiers will remain in barracks several days, until the training camps of instruction are ready. Their barracks are located near the place De La Nation, with small detachments of French soldiers occupying smaller buildings grouped as a large hollow square. The main building has many conveniences for the troops, including shower baths, writing and recreation rooms, a canteen, hospital and post-office. Officers' headquarters are in a small building near the entrance. Allied flags are draped over the doors and in the center of the hollow square is a large parade and exercise grounds.

The American officers are greatly pleased with their quarters and the arrangements for the troops. Many of the American troops speak enough French to get on with the French troops and all fraternize whether they understand the same language or not.

## QUIET RETURNS TO RIOT-SWEPT CITY

**Troops Have East St. Louis Situation Well in Hand; Prepare for Grand Jury Investigation.**

East St. Louis, July 4.—A federal investigation of Monday's race riots here, in which thirty-seven negroes and four whites were killed and approximately 310 negro homes were burned, was begun today by Colonel George H. Hunter, chief quartermaster of the Central division of the United States army. Colonel Hunter is under instructions to make a full report of the trouble to Major General Thomas H. Barry at Chicago, commandant of the Central department.

For the first time since the rioting began Sunday midnight this city was absolutely quiet today. No trouble of any description was reported and the fire department, which was kept busy constantly, made runs all day yesterday fighting fires in the negro district, did not receive an alarm.

Residents of the city spent a dreary Fourth of July, for the most part remaining in their homes. More than 2,000 Illinois National Guards patrolled the streets in every section of the city, armed with riot ammunition and under strict orders to fire if necessary.

**Celebration Called Off.**  
The city's Fourth of July celebration, which was to have been held in City Hall park, was called off and all saloons and theaters remained closed. Militiamen prevented citizens from congregating in any section of the city. Strong detachments of soldiers guarded the stock yards and large manufacturing plants.

The only excitement of the day was the finding of three negro bodies, badly mutilated, in Cahokia creek, bringing the death list to thirty-seven.

Civil authorities began the work of collecting and preparing evidence to be presented to the St. Clair county grand jury when it convenes July 9. Only two of the ninety-seven men arrested Monday night on charges of inciting to riot are being held. The others were released yesterday on the ground that there was insufficient evidence against them. The authorities say that the ringleaders of the mobs are known and that action will be taken against them at the proper time.

It became known today that Governor Frank O. Lowden, who was on the scene last night and early today, had promised the Chamber of Commerce that he would investigate fully charges of inefficiency, lack of discipline and laxness against the militiamen who were here during the height of the rioting Monday night.

The governor and Adjutant General Frank S. Dickson, who is in command of the troops, requested the chamber to gather the facts.

Both Adjutant General Dickson and the local authorities were confident that there would be no further outbreaks. It was stated that with the situation apparently well in hand no additional troops would be called.

Estimates were made by the authorities today that more than half of the city's negro population has departed.

Many left today. It is estimated that before the rioting more than 20,000 negroes lived in East St. Louis. Negroes remaining in town today went about their business as usual and were unmolested.

Hundreds of visitors from St. Louis, Mo., across the river, came today to look over the acres of charred debris which formerly was "Black Valley."

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**Three Aviation Training Fields Nearly Ready**

Washington, July 4.—Rapid progress in the construction of the aviation fields for training fighting flyers for war is being made, according to Howard Coffin, chairman of the aircraft production board, who has just returned from an inspection trip. He declared today that the Chanute field at Rantoul, Ill., where 2,000 men are at work; the Wilbur-Wright field at Dayton, O., on which 3,000 workmen are employed, and the Thomas Selfridge field at Mount Clemens, Mich.,

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## TEUTON AIR MEN DROP MORE BOMBS

**Fleet of Machines Hurls Death and Destruction in the Town of Harwich, in Essex.**

London, July 4.—From twelve to fourteen German air raiders today dropped bombs on Harwich, a seaport town in Essex, it was officially announced. Eleven persons were killed and thirty-six others were injured. The text of the official statement follows:

"A squadron of some twelve to fourteen enemy airplanes attacked Harwich from a northeasterly direction about 7:05 o'clock this morning. A number of bombs were dropped and the latest reports state that eight persons were killed and twenty-two injured. Only slight material damage was caused."

"Fire was opened from the anti-aircraft defenses and the enemy's formation was broken up, although the low lying clouds rendered the visibility very bad. The raiders also were engaged by our own aircraft from a neighboring station."

"After dropping their bombs the enemy's squadron turned seaward without attempting to penetrate inland. The whole raid only occupied a few minutes."

**Britons Bombard Bruges.**

London, July 4.—During Monday night and Tuesday morning bombing raids were carried out on the docks of Bruges, by the royal navy air service machines, according to an official statement issued today. "Several tons of bombs were dropped and good results observed," continued the statement which says all machines returned safely.

**Austrian Bid for Czech Aid Too Late**

London, July 4.—The proclamation of Emperor Charles of Austria granting amnesty to civilians convicted of high treason and other offenses would never have been promulgated except for the success of the new Russian offensive, in the opinion of Dr. Benes, secretary of the Czech committee, as set forth in an interview obtained by the Central News. Dr. Benes, who has just arrived in London, is quoted as saying:

"The position of affairs in Austria is serious. The emperor thinks that by granting amnesty he will clear the political atmosphere, which is rapidly becoming antagonistic to the government, but I am assured instead of having a favorable effect on the further course of the parliamentary session, as is the hope of the government, the result will be the reverse. The emperor's step will not remove the blot. We know why the emperor acted as he did. He wishes to win all parties to his side, ostensibly to participate in the defense against the Russians, but the Czechs understand the underlying motives and will not be trapped."

**Average American \$11.51 Wealthier Than Year Ago**

Washington, July 4.—The average man in the United States is \$11.51 richer today than he was three years ago.

Total money in circulation, shown in a chart in the July federal reserve bulletin, has risen from \$3,480,000,000 on June 1, 1914, to \$4,742,000,000 on June 1, 1917.

The circulation wealth per capita in 1914 was \$34.35; in 1915, \$35.44; in 1916, \$39.29, and in June, 1917, over \$45.66.

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